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## Departed

Frank Bennett, one of Meade's most highly respected citizens, answered that summons which sooner or later each of us must answer, on Saturday afternoon, May 15th at 3:00 o'clock.

For the past few months Mr. Bennett had been in poor health and less than a month ago, accompanied by his family, went to Mineral Wells, Texas, with the hope that a change of climate would prove beneficial, but it soon became evident that the hope was vain, that his days of usefulness here were few. His parents were notified that his condition was growing worse, and left for Mineral Wells at once, and with his wife and two children, were at his bedside when the end came.

It is unnecessary to recall at this time the many excellent traits of character he possessed, but of which he never boasted. Up until a few days before he left Meade he was a member of The Southwest Telephone Co., when, due to his poor health, he retired from the firm. At the time of his death he was serving his third term as a member of the Meade school board, having been re-elected at the last annual meeting without opposition. He was deeply interested in the progress of education and the news of his death cast a shadow of gloom over the entire school. To his family he was a devoted husband and father, to his church a faithful member, and to Meade an upright, honorable, citizen who enjoyed the respect and confidence of the entire community. His life was one which might well be taken as an example, and his untimely death is regretted by all who knew him.

Frank I. Bennett was born in Lafayette, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, November the 3rd 1871. With his parents came to Meade County, March 5th, 1887, and located near Fowler. On December 30th, 1894 he was married to Miss Katie C. Krisle, and to this union four children were born, two of whom died in infancy. Several years ago, with his family he came to Meade and became a member of The Southwest Telephone Co., in which he remained until a few weeks before his death. He was a member of the I. O. O. F., The Modern Woodmen, and Masons.

He is survived by his wife and

## Commencement Week

The Meade Public schools will close Friday, May 21. The adoption this year of the Six and Six plan eliminates any Eighth Grade Commencement exercises.

Sunday evening at the opera house at 8 o'clock the Baccalaureate services will be held, at which time the following program will be rendered:

Processional Mary McGaffin  
Hymn Congregation  
Prayer Reverend Hunt  
Anthem High School Chorus  
"Hark Hark My Soul"  
Scripture

Reverend McArthur  
Solo Winnie Thompson  
Selected

Address Paul R. Helsel  
Hymn Congregation  
Benediction Reverend Spiers

The High school Class Day Play will be given at the Opera House on Monday evening, May 24th.

The Commencement exercises will be held at the Opera House on Tuesday evening, May 25th. Geo. O. Foster, of the Kansas University will deliver the address.

Those in this year's class are: Lida Campbell Nellie Denslow  
Iva Grim Bertha Spratt  
Lois Perkins Bessie Osborn  
Robt Wilson Robt Campbell  
Alex Wilson Noel Dewey  
Walter Denslow Francis Fuhr  
Wallace Anshutz.

Albert Smith came home from Hutchinson last week. He has almost recovered from the injury he sustained a few weeks ago, when an automobile under which he was working fell on him. It will please his friends to know that with a little more treatment he will have entirely recovered.

Read the advertisements in to-day's News. It will be money in your pocket.

two children, Lemuel and Mary, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Bennett, of Fowler, and three sisters, Mrs. A. B. Russell, of Brookston, Indiana; Mrs. Wm. Harris, of Davenport, Iowa; and Mrs. Ross Drinnen, of Fowler, Kansas.

The funeral services were held at the Methodist church at one o'clock, conducted by Rev. S. M. Hunt, and interment was made in Graceland Cemetery.

## Memorial Day

Due to the fact that Memorial day, May 30th, comes on Sunday this year, Saturday, May 29th, will be observed in Meade.

In the morning while the parade is forming to go to the Cemetery, a band concert will be given in the band stand.

Further particulars next week.

At the Opera House at 2:30 p. m. the following program will be given:

"Tramp Tramp"  
High School Chorus  
Invocation Reverend Spiers  
"To Thee Oh Country"  
High School Chorus  
"He Knew Lincoln"

Alex Wilson  
"Tenting To-Night"  
High School Chorus  
Address Captain Painter  
Star Spangled Banner.

At a meeting of the Veterans Friday evening, the following committees were selected:

Marshal of the Day B. Buis  
Flowers:

Mrs. Bunch, Mrs. Backe, Geo. Cones, Ernest Fletcher  
Finances: F. W. Curl  
Transportation:

Willis Wolfe, Joe Helm, Will Sourbeer, Homer Graves.  
Firing Squad: B. Buis  
Music and Program:  
Miss Bruce, J. N. Hamilton.  
Frank Sourbeer,  
Post Commander G. A. R.  
R. Buis, Post No. 388  
Adj.

## Memorial Sunday

Sunday is Memorial Sunday for the Veterans of the Civil War. Rev. S. M. Hunt will preach the Memorial sermon at the M. E. Church Sunday morning at 11:00 o'clock. This will be a special service for the Veterans and as many as possibly can should be in attendance.

### Program

"Onward Christian Soldiers"  
High School Chorus  
Hymn Congregation  
Invocation Reverend Spiers  
"To Thee Oh Country"

High School Chorus  
Scripture Lesson  
Reverend McArthur  
Song High School Chorus  
Sermon Reverend Hunt  
America  
Benediction

As we go to press it is raining, has been most of the morning, and from present indications it is going to continue the remainder of the day. Since morning 6-10 of an inch of water has fallen bringing the record for the week up to 2.2 inches.

## Band Concert

To-morrow evening at the opera house the High School Band will give a concert. The boys have worked faithfully throughout the school year with their music and have spared no pains in preparing Friday night's program. Attend and encourage the boys.

## No Hessian Flies

From reports and newspaper information, it seems that the wheat in some sections of the state is being quite severely damaged by the Hessian fly. Upon investigation we have learned that no such condition exists in Meade county and the wheat is in excellent condition. The large amount of rain this spring and the absence of high winds enabled the wheat to become well rooted and to make a rapid growth. However, it isn't a good idea to "crow" too soon, for the Hessian fly may yet visit our waving wheat fields and make up for lost time. We hope not, but in case such a misfortune should befall any of our wheat raisers between now and harvest time, we print an article elsewhere in to-day's News containing some valuable information as to how to destroy this pest.

Frank Carlson has accepted a position in the Dickenson County High School, at Chapman, Kansas, where he will have charge of the classes in Agriculture. In the way of community help he will assist in the formation of Corn growing contests in the rural districts. Mr. Carlson had charge of the Agriculture and Manual Training departments of the Meade schools last year and has taken great interest in the up-building of both departments. He has also taken a great interest in the High School Band and all school attractions. He has been a great help to the school in many ways and will be greatly missed here next year. He had been re-hired by the board for the coming term, but preferred to accept the Dickenson County offer. Mr. Carlson has made good in the Meade school and will do the same in his new location.

Rev. W. G. Baker, of Bucklin, Kansas was in Meade, Wednesday.

Judd M. Denslow came in from Topeka Wednesday for a short stay with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Denslow of this city.

George Borger has purchased a quarter of land owned by F. W. Curl, located north of the Rich Boyer's place and will improve same. J. A. Denslow made the deal.

## Track Meet

In the annual track meet and oratorical contest held in Meade last Friday and in which the Fowler and the Meade High schools contested, Fowler won the track meet and Meade won the oratorical contest. The score follows:

50 yard dash, Pullman, F., 1st, Burch, F., 2nd, Haskins, M., 3rd.  
Javelin Throw, Denslow, M., 1st, Burch, F., 2nd, Campbell, M., 3rd.

100 yard dash, Fee, M., 1st, Burch, F., 2nd, McCampbell, M., 3rd.

220 yard dash, Pullman, F., 1st, Grimm, M., 2nd, Whitehead, M., 3rd.

440 yard dash, Grimm, M., 1st, Pullman, F., 2nd, Mitchell, M., 3rd.

Shot Put, Weaver, F., 1st, Grubbs, M., 2nd, Harvey, F., 3rd.

Relay Race, Meade, 1st.  
Total Points—Fowler, 66, Meade, 51.

Reading, Ada Brown, F., 1st, Esther Anshutz, M., 2nd.

Oration, Alex. Wilson, M., 1st, Robert Burch, F., 2nd.

Chorus, M. H. S. Chorus, 1st, F. H. S. Chorus, 2nd.

## Building Boom

In reporting the buildings in course of construction in and near Meade, in our last issue, we omitted the following:

Joe Latchar's residence south-east of Meade.

E. P. Boyle's residence east of Meade.

August Frankie's residence south of Meade.

A number of residences will be erected in Meade in the near future, mention of which will be made in this paper as soon as contracts are let.

This is no longer "dry Kansas"

## HAIL STORMS

near Meade, Kansas

Estimate of damage by HAIL to wheat south of Meade serious.

A policy in the HARTFORD will protect you.

GEO. WEHRLE, Agent.

At News Office

Meade, Kansas.

## Severe Wind Storm

Tuesday was a rather disagreeable day, that is, the weather was. Sometime before daylight it began raining and continued all day until about five o'clock when a high wind added to the unpleasantness of the day, and when the already chilly atmosphere, fell a few degrees lower. Some little damage was done to trees and a few broken windows have been reported.

At Uneda a light hail storm has been reported, with a slight damage to gardens.

From Uneda south into Oklahoma, and in the vicinity of Forgan, Oklahoma, considerable damage from hail has been reported.

J. A. Harder, who lives thirteen miles southeast of Meade, is reported to have suffered the loss of a large acreage of wheat from hail.

Damage from the same cause has also been reported at Henry Hinson's place, south of Meade.

The rain was general over the entire county, and where not accompanied by hail was beneficial to the wheat. At Meade one and one-half inches of rain fell.

## The Hessian Fly

That the loss to this year's Kansas wheat crop will be even greater than that of 1908, is the belief of George A. Dean, entomologist in the Kansas State Agricultural College. In the year referred to 41 counties had a loss of nearly \$9,000,000.

"The Hessian fly," said Professor Dean, "has been increasing for several years and destroying a considerable amount of wheat. In 1912 it was confined principally to the north-eastern part of the state, and in 1913 serious damage occurred in that region. The dry summers of 1913 and 1914 did not seriously hinder the development of the fly and thus the infestation spread over the entire eastern half of the state, causing a considerable loss of wheat. Last fall and winter and this spring conditions were favorable for the fly and with a continuance of these favorable conditions the infestation is almost certain to cause a very large loss.

Time and again the department of entomology of the agricultural college and experiment station and the bureau of ento-

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## Public Sale

of  
HOUSEHOLD GOODS

I will sell our household goods  
at Public Sale

MAY 24th at 2 p. m.

at the Frank Hamilton house  
opposite the Court House

TERMS:--Cash.

Frank Carlson, Owner.

J. I. Stamper, Auctioneer.

## FUEL PROBLEM SOLVED

By the Royal Blue Gas Producer

Don't buy a smoky oil smelling coal oil stove or a gasoline stove that will explode and burn your house but buy one of our gas producers and save from fifty to seventy-five per cent of your fuel and light bill.

See Demonstration at our home just north of Baptist Church.

W. H. Dalgarn & Son, Agents for Meade County.

## WAR IS RAGING

Insure your wheat NOW. We have The St. Paul, (Old Line) and Old Reliable Sterling, oldest Mutual in Kansas and are on the firing line for a share of your business.

See L. F. Schuhmacher  
or Max Kelley.